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VOCATIONAL TRAINING TO WOMEN AND GIRLS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the initiatives taken by the Directorate of Employment and Training for providing Vocational Training to women and girls in the country particularly in Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the number of women and girls benefited by it during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO)

(a) & (b) Some of the new initiatives taken during the last three years by DGE&T to promote skill training in the country are:

- 36 new trades have been introduced for training in Industrial Training Institutes / Industrial Training Centers (ITIs/ITCs) and seven obsolete trades have been deleted.

- Course curriculum, as per market need, is revised periodically. During last 3 years, course curriculum for nine trades has been revised as per the need of the labour market.

- For better participation of women in skill training, the upper age limit for women, in women exclusive ITIs/Wings has been waived off.

- A provision for reservation of 25% seats for women in general ITIs has been made.

At present under various State/UT Govts there are 218 women exclusive ITIs and 582 women Training Wings in general and private ITIs, with a total seating capacity of 46658. Under DGE&T there are 11 women exclusive Training Institutes with a seating capacity of 3092.

During last 3 years, 8852, 8916 & 9485 trainees were trained in 2002, 2003 & 2004 respectively in the State of Maharashtra. And similarly 1320, 1407 & 1895 trainees were trained in the State of Madhya Pradesh.